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Meptyldinocap

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Under the authority of the *Pest Control Products Act*, Health Canada's Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA) is proposing to establish maximum residue limit (MRL) for meptyldinocap on grapes to permit the import and sale of foods containing such residues.

Meptyldinocap is a fungicide not currently registered for use in Canada.

The PMRA has determined the quantity of residues that are likely to remain in or on the imported food commodities when meptyldinocap is used according to label directions in the exporting country. The Agency has also determined that such residues will not be a concern to human health and is proposing to legally establish corresponding MRLs on imported commodities. An MRL applies to the identified raw agricultural food commodity as well as to any processed food product that contains it, except where separate MRLs are specified for the raw agricultural commodity and a processed product made from it.

Details regarding the proposed import MRL can be found in the corresponding Evaluation Report available in the Pesticides and Pest Management section of Health Canada's website, under Public Registry, Pesticide Product Information Database.[1]

Consultation on the proposed MRL for meptyldinocap is being conducted via this document (see Next Steps, the last section of this document).

To comply with Canada's international trade obligations, consultation on the proposed MRL is also being conducted internationally by notifying the World Trade Organization, as coordinated by the Standards Council of Canada.

The proposed MRL for meptyldinocap is as follows.

Table 1 Proposed Maximum Residue Limit for Meptyldinocap

Common Name	Residue Definition	MRL (ppm)	Food Commodity
Meptyldinocap	2-(1-methylheptyl)-4,6-dinitrophenyl (2E)-2-butenoate including the 2-(1-methylheptyl)-4,6-dinitrophenol metabolite	0.2	Grapes

ppm = parts per million

MRLs established in Canada may be found using the Maximum Residue Limit Database on the Maximum Residue Limits for Pesticides webpage. The database allows users to search for pesticide(s) or for food commodity(ies).

[1] The relevant report can be accessed by selecting Applications/New/Historical and requesting the Evaluation Report found under Application Number 2008-0748.

International Situation and Trade Implications

The MRL proposed for meptyldinocap in Canada is the same as corresponding American tolerance and Codex MRL.[2] American tolerances are listed in the Electronic Code of Federal Regulations, 40 CFR Part 180, by pesticide. A listing of established Codex MRLs is available on the Codex Alimentarius Pesticide Residues in Food website, by pesticide or commodity.

Next Steps

The PMRA invites the public to submit written comments on the proposed MRLs for meptyldinocap up to 75 days from the date of publication of this document. Please forward your comments to Publications (see the contact information on the cover page of this document). The PMRA will consider all comments received before making a final decision on the proposed MRLs. Comments received will be addressed in a separate document linked to this proposed MRL. The established MRLs will be legally in effect as of the date that they are entered into the Maximum Residue Limit Database.

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2 The Codex Alimentarius Commission is an international organization under the auspices of the United Nations that develops international food standards, including MRLs.